

April 2017 Ministry Update

Calvary website: www.calvaryefc.org

HOLY WEEK at CALVARY

Palm Sunday April 9

Come celebrate the Triumphal Entry of our Savior, Jesus Christ! Worship services at 9 & 10:30 am.

Good Friday April 14

Services will be held at 7:00 & 8:30 pm in the Gym. We will consider how our God is like a consuming fire whose wrath burns against sin. Sin can make us hopeless, but hopelessness can become hope through the saving work of Christ. This service will be a family-friendly (as in, not scary), tactile, and interactive experience for the whole church family. Nursery and programming for kids through age four/five will be available at the 7:00 pm service only.

Easter Sunday April 16

Worship Services at 8, 9:30, & 11am

He is Risen!

Experience with us anew how the resurrection of Jesus from the grave moves His followers from hopelessness, towards hope, and then into incomparable joy!

No Sunday school (K-12) or Kings Kids

Special nursery at all three services (infants – 4yr olds)

No Mini-congregations

CALVARY NEWS

Easter Breakfast

Easter Breakfast - Enjoy delicious pancakes, eggs and sausage Easter morning. Hot coffee and orange juice are available as well. All donations for the breakfast go towards the youth's summer mission trips.

Children's Heart Project

The Orvis, Laskowski, Nelson, and Monsen families will be hosting three CHP families March 10 - April 18. Visit the table in the Lobby and church website for updates and how to help hosts with meals, transportation, gift cards, and other hands-on helps. Coordinator Dianne Orth, (507) 269-7112.

Adoption Live Simulcast

"Empowered to Connect Conference," April 7-8, 9 am-5 pm, held at Calvary. Equipping families, churches, and professionals to better serve children impacted by adoption and foster care. Register by March 31 at www.calvaryefc.org. Contact Kathy Bergquist with questions at kbergquist88@gmail.com.

Feed My Starving Children

June 17, Feed My Starving Children MobilePack, mark your calendars and plan to join us as we pack over 100,000 meals for starving families around the world right from Calvary's gym.

National Day of Prayer THURSDAY, May 4, 2016

Noon Gathering for Day of Prayer:

THURSDAY from 12:05 - 12:50 pm

Prayer at the Government Center, Council Chambers

Main Event - Rochester Day of Prayer

THURSDAY EVENING: 7:00 - 8:20 pm

Faith Resource Expo: 6:30 -7:00 pm & 8:20 - 9:15 pm

All Evening activities are at Evangel United Methodist Church

Miracle Prayer Walk

Saturday 3 pm, start at Saint Mary's Hospital

Membership Class

May 21, 10:30 am in the Fireside Room. It will be for those wanting to know more about connecting, maturing, and becoming a member of Calvary. Register online at www.calvaryefc.org or call the church office at 282-4612.

Byron-area Church Plant

For those considering involvement and those who simply want to learn more about church planting, Kurt Ploeger is leading a 5-week Sunday morning class, laying out the WHY and the HOW TOs of making this a reality. Sunday mornings, April 2 - May 7, 9:00 am. Room 224.

Refugee Care Ministry

Our refugee families want to express their overwhelming appreciation for your generous help in recent months and tell you "God bless you!" Updated information about these friends, along with photos and current needs, has been added to the Refugee Care Ministry page on Calvary's website.

www.calvaryefc.org>serve>refugeecare

WORSHIP

Technical Arts Team

We need sound, projection, lighting, and video, "So the Word can be seen and heard." Interested in serving behind the scenes? We will train you. Contact Joel at jminchinton@calvaryefc.org.

Usher Ministry Team

Consider serving on one of our Usher Ministry Teams. Ushering ministry is open to men and women ages 14 and up. This is also a great ministry for couples or families to serve together. Contact Pastor Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefc.org.

Kid's Choir Musical Presentation

The Hallelujah! kids choir will present the musical, "Star Quest: Search for the Stolen Scriptures" on Sunday, May 14. In this musical, the crew of spaceship J-316 is on a mission to spread the Word of God throughout the galaxy!

FAMILY EQUIPPING

Family Passover Celebration

Sunday, April 9. There will be NO SUNDAY SCHOOL for grades 1-6. Instead, we invite those students and their parents and families to participate in a Family Passover Celebration in the Gym. We hope you can make it! Contact Brian Martin with any questions: bmartin@calvaryefc.org.

Pray for The Children - Sunday, April 30, 9:00 am.

As a fitting end to our Family Equipping Elective school year, we will simply take the time to lift up the children of Calvary (and beyond) in prayer. "Our" children may mean your kids, others' kids, or whatever children are in your life. All are welcome. Meeting in room 225. Contact Brian Martin with questions: bmartin@calvaryefc.org.

Connected Families Seminar

Sunday, April 30, 5:30-7:30 pm at Calvary. Sunday evening Family Equipping Seminar for those who can't always make it on a Sunday morning. The seminar is entitled "Four Strengths of Every Great Family" and will be a gift for anyone with kids or grandkids ages 2-12. \$10/person or \$15/couple. Please sign up by April 28. Register at www.calvaryefc.org. Contact Brian Martin with questions: bmartin@calvaryefc.org.

MEN

Men's Breakfast, May 20

8-9:30 am, Fellowship Hall, featuring a helpful message from our Family Equipping Pastor, Brian Martin.

CARE GROUPS

Single Adult Fellowship

Single Adult Fellowship (50 plus) will meet Sunday April 2, 4-6 pm in the Fireside room. Come join us for games and snacks. Contact Carol Siverling 358-2417 or Nancy Monsen 281-4152.

Mental Health Support

Journey of Hope is a faith based support group for those who have a loved one or family member with a mental illness. Find hope. Meets 2nd and 4th Sundays, 6-7:30 pm at Calvary. For information, go to www.journeyofhopemn.org.

Compassion Counseling Center

Counseling to help you with life issues and to discover freedom in the truth, without legalism or condemnation, regardless of ability to pay. Call 507-208-8822 for an appointment.

For more information on other Care Groups, please see our website www.calvaryefc.org under Support

YOUTH

District Blitz, April 21-23 in Duluth, MN.

High School Grad Banquet, Wednesday, May 17

Leader Recognition Reception, Wednesday, May 24

SENIORS

People Enjoying People, PEP (Our ministry to adults 55+) **Hymn Sing & Lunch**

On May 2, we will enjoy a sing-a-long and sweet fellowship at Pastor Larry and Dianne's home. Please contact Sharon Landsworth at 288-0592 or at rsland1971@gmail.com if you plan to join us.

CHILDREN

AWANA

April 5 - A regular night of Awana (Rochester spring break)

April 26 - Crazy Socks night

VBS - Save the Date - *Maker Fun Factory* VBS is June 12-16. Kids will learn they are created by God and built for a purpose. Anyone interested in helping should contact Jess or Laura at vbs@calvaryefc.org.

WOMEN

Devoted Hearts

Women's event held at Autumn Ridge Church (April 21-22). Calvary is a co-sponsor. Speakers: Karen Kingsbury, and Margaret Feinberg. Musician: Mark Schultz. More details and registration online at www.devotedheartsrochester.com.

Young Women's Bible Study

"The Meaning of Marriage" by Tim and Kathy Keller. Open to young women, begins Monday, April 17 at 8:30 am. At the Moeckly Home, 503 Bluff Road NW, Rochester. Contact Bonnie Moeckly 507-696-1893 for more information.

OUTREACH/COMMUNITY

Faith-based Environmental film

Join moviegoers March 30 for a free movie night in Rochester. The film BLUE considers the way we should look at the Green Movement and issues like climate change, and natural resources. Learn More here:

<http://eepurl.com/cFvpky>

Fellowship of Christian Athletes:

Join us for our 2017 SE MN FCA Night of Champions & Fundraising Banquet, Monday, April 10, 2017 from 6-8 pm at the Rochester International Event Center. Our keynote speaker this year is former MN Twins player Corey Koskie. Register at: <http://www.minnesotafca.org/se-mn-banquet>.

MN Adult and Teen Challenge

Recovery Coaches: Full and part time interested applicants should contact Steve Gatzke at 507-218-3456 or Steve Edwards at 507-218-3442.

Graduation: Thursday, April 27 at 3:00 pm at Berean Community Church. Graduations are open to the public.

New Life Family Services

Host a baby shower! Plan what you would like. Invite guests you would like. The gift registry is on Amazon.com under Baby Registry for New Life. Get details by calling 507.282.3377. **Serve as a Parenting Coach** in the Parenting Plus Program for those choosing life for their babies. Fill out and submit an application at www.nlfs.org.

Birth Mother Dinner

If you have placed a child for adoption, join with New Life Family Services for a Birth Mother's Dinner, at 6 pm, Friday, May 12, Calvary Church, Roseville, MN. Contact Rebecca Anfinrud at (612)746-5670. Save the Date: Walk for Life on June 3 at Soldier's Field.

Israel Trip

Tour of Israel (a life changing experience) led by Vicki Tiede. March 16-27, 2018. For more information and details, contact Ed-Ventures, www.ed-ventures.com or Vicki at vicki@vickitiede.com.